

REMARKS

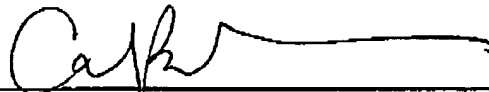
In the Final Office Action mailed March 7, 2005, claims 12 and 15-17 were examined. Claim 12 was found to contain allowable subject matter. Claims 15-17 were rejected.

In response thereto, claims 15-17 are cancelled without prejudice to the subject matter thereof. The application is in condition for allowance.

No fees are believed to be due as a result of this amendment. However, should any fees be due the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1123. Should any issues remain, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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